MR. DEPUTY SPEAKER :—It has been verified. It has not been recorded If it is not recorned in the proceedings, I do not thinb the papers will also publish,

SRI H, SIDDAVEERAPPA :—I really do not know because the Chair has not ordered that it should be expunged. Therefore I am under the impression that it was recorded and papers might publish it. If you say that that is expunged then it is a different matter. I have nothing to say against them.

SRI AZIZ SAIT :—Sir, if the hon. Member yields. I have some information which I want to verify. I made enquiries why this hon. Member is taking so much trouble to defend the Government on the floor of the House and I was told that he has been assured the post of a district judge, Is it a fact, I want to know.

SRI H. SIDDAVEERAPPA :—If the Chair says that what he said is not placed on record, I keep quiet.

MR, DEPUTY SPEAKER : I now pass on to the next item, Sri V. N. Patil to call the attention of the Government.

SRI K. H. PATIL :—Now that the hon Minister for Education has come, he may be permitted to answer Sir,

SRI K. V. SHANKARA GOWDA :—If I am permitted I can answer sir.

MR. DEPUTY SPEAKER :– I have passed on to the next item.

CALLING ATTENTION TO A MATTER OF URGENT PUBLIC IMPORTANCE.

Re: Damages due to heavy Rains in Gulbarga & Bidar Districts.

Sri V. N. Patil:—(Humnabad) under rule 63 I call the attention of the hon. Minister for Revenue regarding damages caused by the heavy rains in Gulbarga and Bidar Districts.

Sri H. V. Koujalgi: (Minister for Revenue.) There were heavy rains in Gulbarga District during the last week of September 1970. No crops have, however, been affected except pulses and minor millets like greengram and blackgram. No collapse of houses or loss of human life

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is reported. A tank (Salgar tank) in Chincholi taluk is reported to have been breached. Necessary action is being taken to grant relief to the sufferers.

There were heavy rains in Bidar District in the second fortnight of August 1970 and also in the second and third week of September 1970 causing heavy damages to standing crops and mud houses in various towns and Villages of the District. The total loss is Estimated at more than Rs. One crore. The taluks worst affected are Aurad, Bhalki and part of Humnabad and Bidar. Apart from the severe loss due to earlier rains, the recent rains have damaged Khariff jowar standing cotton crops and minor millets.

The damage to crops due to heavy rains in August is estimated at Rs. 1,03,92,840 and damage to houses at Rs. 23,36,050. The loss due to subsequent rains in September 1970 is being assessed. The Deputy Commissioner, Bidar, along with the Assistant Commissioner, Bidar, has toured the affected areas. The report is awaited.

Apart from the usual budget grant, an additional allotment of Rs. 2 lakhs has been sanctioned to Bidar District for grant of gratuitous relief to the sufferers of the recent rains. The Divisional Commisioner, Gulbarga, has also allotted an additional amount of Rs. 5,000 for this purpose A further allotment of Rs. 3 lakhs has been made by Government for sanction of Takavi loans to be the cultivators whose crops have damaged by the rains.

So far as Gulbarga District is concerned, as the damage is not considerable, no additional allotment is considered necessary.

Sri V. N. Patil:-I have gone through the statement made by the Hon. Minister. The damage caused to the crops in Gulbarga and Bidar Districts, particularly in Chinchoii Sedam taluks is so much that it is beyond explanation. It is unfortunate that the crop pattern has not been taken into consideration while making this statement. Crops grown in thouse parts are black gram and green gram which are commercial crops and most of the Agriculturists make use of those crops for payment of Takavi loans repayments. Actually the loss in each Village is 5 to 6 lakhs and even a conservative Estimate will put it at 4 crores in Bidar and 3 crores in Gulbarga District. When such huge loss is Incurred, a paltry sum of Rs. 5,000 is given by tha Divisional Commissioner. Under such circumstances it is the duty of the Government to see adiquate relief is given. I request the Minister to take up this matter seriously and undertake a tour of those places immediately after the sessions and supervise the operation of relief work. It is very necessary to see that there is no misuse of relief amount. What I want to suggest is let a Committee be formed in those

parts so that Agricultural Operations can be carried on and relief goes only to the needy person. Such a Committee should comprise of all Political parties and social workers.

SRI. H. V. KOUJALGI:—It is the standing crops that has been damaged. It would be difficult to say what could have been the yield. No doubt the loss caused is heavy. I have got all the sympathy for the sufferers. First Rs. 5,000 was given and again 2 lakhs were given and subsequently 3 lakhs was also sanctioned. This is in addition to the sum of Rs. 1.50 lakhs which is already with the Divisional Commissioner for distribution as gratuitous relief. In addition a sum of Rs. 20 lakhs is with him. They will have to take into account the extent of loss each has sufferred and distribute the relief amount. So far as the suggestion that the relief should reach the real sufferer is concerned, I am sure it will reach him and I am sure no bogus person will come forward saying that he has incurred loss. It is taken as gratuitious relief and loan. With regard to relief work in the report submitted in connection with the scarcity works, the amount sanctioned to each district is given. If more amount is needed I am prepared to sanction it. So far as works sanctioned are concerned, the hon'ble Members will be there and no political considerations will arise. I will take note of the remarks made by the Member.

SRI D. B. KALMANKAR:—In the statement it is mentioned that loss is caused in Chincholi Taluk and action is being taken to give relief to the sufferers. I wish to know whether loss to crops is not also caused in Aland and other taluks of the two districts. It appears that no information is given to us about it. The Government has failed to mention the lose caused in other taluks. Will the Hon'ble Minister call for information about Aland also and see that the agriculturists affected therein are also given immediate relief and relief works are also undertaken in that Taluk?

SRI H. V. KOUJALGI:—What I meant was that the loss suffered there is not comparable to that in Bidar District. Wherever loss is caused, it is the duty of the Government to arrange relief and start relief works

ಶ್ರೀ ಎನ್. ಹುಚ್ ಮಾಸ್ತಿ ಗೌಡ.—ಈಗ ಕ್ರಾಪ್ ಹಾಳಾಗಿ ಹೋಗಿರತಕ್ಕ ಪ್ರದೇಶದಲ್ಲಿ ರಿಲೀಫ್ ಕಾಮಗಾರಿಗಳನ್ನು ಪ್ರಾರಂಭ ಮಾಡುತ್ತೀರಾ, ಅಥವಾ ಅಲ್ಲಿಯ ಜನರಿಗೆ ಸಾಲದ ರೂಪದಲ್ಲಿ ಏನಾದರೂ ಸಹಾಯ ಕೊಡುತ್ತೀರಾ, ಅಥವಾ ಕಷ್ಟಕಾಲದಲ್ಲಿರುವ ಜನರಿಗೆ ಮುಫತ್ತಾಗಿ ಹಣ ಕೊಡುತ್ತೀರಾ ಎಂದು ತಿಳಿಸಬೇಕು

ಶ್ರೀ ಎಚ್. ವಿ. ಕೌಜಲಗಿ:—ಸರ್ಕಾರದ ನಿಯಮದ ಪ್ರಕಾರ, ಲುಕ್ಸಾನು ನೋಡಿಕೊಂಡು ಎಲ್ಲಿ ಮುಫತ್ ಹಣ ಕೊಡಬೇಕೋ, ಅಲ್ಲಿ ಅದನ್ನು ಕೊಡುತ್ತೇವೆ. ಮತ್ತು ಲ್ಯಾಂಡ್ ಇಂಪ್ರೂವ್ ಮಾಡುವುದಕ್ಕೆ, ಬೀಜ ತೆಗೆದುಕೊಳ್ಳುವುದಕ್ಕೆ, ವಕ್ಕಲುತನ ಇಂಪ್ರೂವ್ ಮಾಡುವುದಕ್ಕೆ ಎಲ್ಲಾ ತಕಾವಿ ಲೋನ್, ಮತ್ತಿತರ ಸಹಾಯ ಕೊಡುವುದಕ್ಕೆ ನಿಯಮ ಇದೆ. ಅದರ ಪ್ರಕಾರ ಕೊಡುತ್ತೇವೆ. ಮೂರನೆಯದು, ಜೀವನೋಪಾಯಕ್ಕೆ ಈ ಸ್ಕೇರ್ಸಿಟಿ ರಿಲೀಫ್ ಕಾಮಗಾರಿಗಳು ಎಲ್ಲಿ ಅವಶ್ಯ ಇದೆ, ಅಲ್ಲಿ ಶುರುಮಾಡುತ್ತೇವೆ.